AN

ALMANACK

But for ONE DAY;

OR,

The Fall of *Adam*.
The Restoring of lost Man.
The coming to Judgment.
The Signs before it.
The Miseries following.
The general Sessions.
The JUDGE.
The Jury.
The Evidence.
The Prisoners.
The Sentence.
The Execution.

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By Woman and an Apple, Mankind fell.
By Woman's Son yet all grew well again.

ADAM, the firſt Man in the World, was the firſt that overthrew it; he was the King of all the Earth, and depoſed from his Crown; Paradice was his Palace, and from that he was driven: *Eden* was his Garden, and from that he was beaten. The Beaſts of the Earth, the Fiſhes of the Sea, and the Birds of the Air were all made to ſerve him; but he rebelled againſt God, they rebelled againſt him: He gave them Names, and loſt his own: Birds never ſung ſuch Tunes as when he firſt heard them; but after his Fall they did not ſing, but mourn.

A Woman cauſed all this Woe; the Woman was ſeduced by a Serpent, Man by that Woman, and both were Serpents to him; yet for all this God took pity of Man's Weakneſs; for as the firſt *Adam* brought Mankind to a Bar, ſo the ſecond *Adam* bro't a Repr.eve: *Adam* ruined all, and Chriſt reſtored all. The Devil then would have ſeized on the World, but God ſnatched it from him, took it into his own Hands.

Man reſtored by Chriſt.

Adam's Weakneſs begat Sin, Sin brought forth Death, and Death brought Damnation.

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The Last Day.

The Trumpet blows, the Dead ariſe,
A dreadful Seſſions, yet none dies.

FOR the Tryal of *Adam*'s Treaſon, a *Seſſions* will be called, the Day dreadful, the Judge terrible, the Jury ſevere, the Evidence impartial, the Cryer of the Court as Thunder, the Indictment fearful as Lightning, a wretched Soul the Priſoner, and all the Nations that ever have been, or now are, the Standers-by.

Oh! what a Day will this be? A Day of Terror, and a Day of Triumph, a Day of Confuſion to the Wicked, a Day of Comfort to the Godly, a Day of Rejoicing to the Sheep and Lambs, and a Day of Howling to the Wolves and Goats.

This will be the laſt Day, for no more Days ever ſhall be after; there muſt never be another Sun, nor any other Moon, or any more Stars, all the Lights of Heaven will be put out, and yet a greater Light be ſeen, than ever mortal Eyes beheld.

The Courts of Kings, the Palaces of Noble Men, the Manors of Dorps, the Banqueting-Houſes of rich Men, the full Barns of Farmers, the Cottages of Husband-men and the Stalls under which the Beggars lie, will be as one, and all come to nothing on that Day.

All the Kings upon Earth, all the Nations under thoſe Kings, and all thoſe Slaves that have been trod upon by thoſe Nations, ſhall be called on this Day to an open Tryal:

Death

Death then ſhall ſee an end of his Reign, the Grave will then be ſatisfied; nothing muſt remain but Time, and that Time muſt wait upon Eternity.

On that Day the Lord himſelf ſhall deſcend from Heaven with a Shout, and an Arch-Angel ſhall come with a great Power and Majeſty, and he ſhall ſound a Trumpet, whoſe Sound ſhall be heard over all the Parts of the World, and with his Trumpet ſhall Summons all Nations, and all ſorts of People to come to the general Judgment.

Who ſhall appeal from this Summons? who ſhall be able to avoid this Judgment? what Heart will not tremble and quake at the terrible Sound of his Voice? This Voice ſhall take from Death all her Spoils, and force her to reſtore and pay back again whatſoever ſhe hath taken from the World: All that are living ſhall be changed, all that are dead ſhall be alive; the Prophets and the Patriarchs, the Apoſtles and Evangeliſts, Martyrs and Virgins ſhall here ſtand all in white. The Graves ſhall open, and deliver their Bodies; thoſe Bodies ſhall reſume their own Souls, and all thoſe Souls ſhall appear together. The Sea ſhall give Account of thoſe whom ſhe hath drowned: the Fire of thoſe whom his Flames hath conſumed; whom the Swords of Tyrants, the Saws, Axes, and Wheels of Hangmen have mangled and cut to pieces, ſhall at this Day have every Limb put into right place,

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every Joint and Bone ſet together. For on a white Throne one ſhall ſit, from whoſe preſence Heaven aed Earth ſhall flie away, and their Place ſhall no more be found; both great and ſmall; the Book ſhall be opened, which is the Book of Life, and the Dead ſhall be judged out of thoſe Things which were written in the Books according to their VVorks. The Sea ſhall give up her Dead. Death and Hell theirs; and Death and Hell ſhall be caſt into a Lake of Fire. which is the ſecond.

This Day is called, *The Laſt Day*, becauſe it is the end of all Days, the end of the World, the Conſummation of Weeks, and Months, and Years; no Day ſhall ever again be ſet down in any Almanack.

It is called the Day of Anger, or the Lord's Day, for now he will be avenged of his Ene-Enemies: The Lord's Day, becauſe all other Days have been the Days of Men, in which they have reviled, rejected, and done what they would themſelves in contempt of God; but on this Day, God will have his Pleaſure in Puniſhing ſuch as have abuſed his Goodneſs, & Rewarding ſuch as have ſet forth his Glory.

Signs before the DAY.

When it ſhall be none knows, yet it muſt come,
And theſe are Signs foregoing the Day of Doom.

OF *that Day and hour knoweth no Man, no, not the Angels that are in Heaven, neither the Son himſelf, ſave the Father; Watch there-*

therefore, for it is uncertain whether the Master of the House (being gone into a far Country) *will come at Even or at Midnight, at the Cock-crowing, or at the dawning*, Mark xiii.

Howbeit, certain Signs shall go before this Day, by which Signs (as by the Evening Men judge of the following Morning) we may prognosticate, not only of the nearness of the Time, but of Terrors that will accompany it.

St. *Matthew* says, before the coming of this Day, there shall be great Wars and Troubles in the World: Nation shall rise against Nation, and Kingdom against Kingdom: and there shall be great Earthquakes in many Places, and Pestilence, and Famine, and terrible Things in the Air, and other great Signs and Wonders.

St. *Luke* says, here shall be false Christs, Sedition, Hunger, Plagues, Famine, Prophets betray'd by their own Brethren, Friends, and some of them shall be put to Death.

These are the *Trumpets*, the *Pursivants*, *Mancurries*, and *Heraulds* which go before and make way for the Judge to come: Then the Day of Sessions drawing nearer and nearer, there will appear other Messengers far more fearful, far more terrible; for thus saith the Lord by *Ezekiel*, *I will cause the Stars of Heaven to be darkened on thee, and I will cover the Sun with a Cloud, and the Moon shall not shew forth her Light; and I will cause all the Lights of Heaven to mourn, and I will send Darkness over all the Land.*

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The Coming of the Judge.

THese VVarnings, and these dreadful Embasses being sent before-hand, at length he Judge himself approaches, before whom oes an Universal Fire, which shall burn and onsume to Ashes all the Glory of the VVorld, he Fire shall be to the VVicked a beginning f their Pains, and unto the Good an Induction o their Glory.

Oh saith *Malachi, who may abide the Day of he Lord's Coming, and who shall endure when Appeareth? For he is like Fullers Soap: he Day cometh that shall burn as an Oven and l the Proud: yea, all that do wickedly, shall be Stubble, and the Day that cometh shall burn em up, & leave them neither Root nor Branch.*

The Prophet *Joel* strikes on the same String nd it sounds this horrid Musick: *A Fire deoureth before him, and behind him a Flame urneth up; the Earth shall tremble before him, he Heavens shall shake, the Sun and Moon be arkened, and the Stars withdraw their shining. his Day the Lord is Great and very Terrible, d who can abide it?*

The Prophets muster up their Forces togeher, to express the Glory, and the Fears that tend upon this general Coming into the Field. nd *Zephany* for his part, sets down thus uch, *That it is a Day of Wrath, a Day of rouble and Heaviness, a Day of Clouds and mpestuous Storms, a Day of the Trumpets d Alarms, against the strong Cities, and against e high Towers.*

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When the Prophets have closed up their Tunes, listen how an *Evangelist* sings upon the same Note: *As the Lightning which cometh out of the East, and shineth into the West, so shall the coming of the Son of Man be, the Sun shall be darkened* &c. *and then shall all the Kindreds of the Earth mourn and they shall see the Son of Man come in the Clouds with Power and great Glory: And he shall send his Angels with a great Sound of a Trumpet, and they shall gather together his Elect from the four Winds, and from the one end of the Heavens to the other.*

The Evangelists, *Mark*, *Luke*, and *John*, bear their parts in the same Lesson, all of them concluding, *That except the End should shorten those Days, no Flesh should be saved.*

Christ therefore will come in Glory like a *King*, in Triumph like a *Conqueror*, in Terror like a *Judge*, in Mildness like a *Father*, in Carefulness like a *Husband*, in Wonder like a *Saviour*. He is the King of the whole World, all Nations bow at his Feet, the Conqueror of Death and Hell: *Death, where is thy Sting? Hell, where is thy Victory?* What Judge ever rode such a Circuit? Now the Living and the Dead must be Arraigned before him: What farther can be more pitied, for as he beats us he hugs us, he weeps when he punisheth? The Church is his *Wife*, how tender is he over her? Yet how often hath she gone astray, and made her Face deformed in his

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ight? But who can ſtand up in greater Wonder than He, that in one Hand holds Heaven, nd Earth in the other? What Countenance an ſtrike Beholders into Love, or Aſtoniſhment, or Admiration, but this? whoſe only Voice ſaves or condemns them.

A *Saviour*, no Title in the World can he comparable to it: A *Saviour*, a *Redeemer*, the Names of Emperors, Kings, Manarchs, Princes, Potentates, are to theſe TWO but Shadows and Mockeries.

The Majeſtical manner of this Judge's coming, is to the Life ſet down by *Nahum* the Prophet in this manner, *viz. Our Lord ſhall come like a Tempeſt, and furious Whirl-wind, and the Clouds are the Duſt of his Feet: he ſhall take Indignation againſt the Sea, and it ſhall wax dry, and all the Rivers of the Earth ſhall be dried up. The little Baſon and Carmelus ſhall be withered, and the Mount Libanus ſhall Fade and Fall away: The Mountains ſhall quake before Him, and the Hills ſhall melt: The Earth ſhall burn in his Sight, yea, the World and all that dwell therein. Who ſhall ſtand before the Face of his Indignation? And who ſhall abide the Fierceneſs of his Fury? His Wrath ſhall be poured out as Fire; and the very Rocks ſhall become Death before him. He ſhall come to his Enemies as Thorns folden one with another, and as Drunkards in their drunkenneſs they ſhall be deſtroyed as Stubble fully dried.*

The World at firſt (for Sin) was drowned,

and muſt at laſt on this Day be burned: Deluge of Water ſwelling the one, and Flame of Fire muſt devour the other; not Fire alone, but Fire and Brimſtone; not a clea ſweet Fire, but a black and noiſome one: A our Sins ſtink in God's Noſtrils, ſo that Fir in which our Iniquities are to be tried, muſ ſtink in ours: For all the World ſhall make but one Bonefire, and in the Aſhes of that Fire the whole Earth muſt be raked up.

The Sun was in *Virgo* when Chriſt was born; but when he comes at this latter Day in Terror to judge the World, the Sun will be in *Leo*, as this Almanack ſpeaks; for the Lyon of *Juda* will then roar, and be heard, and ſhew his Strength: And then, as an upright Judge, he weighs the *Thoughts*, *Words* and *Actions* of Men, then the Sun will be in *Libra:* An even, but a terrible heavy Balance muſt at that Time be held in Chriſt's Hand.

This dreadful Diſſolution of the World, in which muſt periſh the Earth, the Heavens, Sun, Moon, Stars, Planets, and all that move in the Waters, or over our Heads, is drawn in this excellent Picture by the Hand of *John* the Divine, *I ſaw a mighty Angel cloathed with a bright Cloud, his Face was like the Sun, he had a Rainbow for his Crown that he wore on his Head; his Feet were like Pillars of Fire, of the which, one he ſet on the Sea, and the other upon the Land; the Angel lifted up his Arm towards Heaven, and ſwear by him that liveth everlaſtingly, World without end, that from henceforth there ſhould be no more Time.*

The Seſſions, the Judge ſeated, the Priſoners at the Bar, the Arraignment and Sentence.

The Judge ſits on the Bench,
good Men are try'd,
The bad Condemn'd,
the good are glorify'd.

THE Judge being (at this dreadful Day of Doom) placed in his Seat of Juſtice, it will be a full Court, a mighty Seſſions; never in any Country, or Kingdom, hath been held ſo great an Aſſize. All the Children of *Adam* muſt ſtand before him: All before *Noah*'s Time that were over-whelm'd in the general Flood, and all the Nations of the World that ever hath been, or ſhall be, ſhall at that Day be raiſed out of their Graves, and give an Account of their Lives, and receive according to their Deſervings.

The Judge ſhall ſit in Majeſty and Glory, round about him will ſtand Angels, Arch-Angels, and all the Principalities of Heaven.

Before him all the Souls of Men, Women and Children, are Priſoners: All Bodies ſhall riſe, but not all after one manner; for the Bodies of all ſuch as have done well, ſhall be fair, beautiful, and brightly ſhining as the Sun: But the Bodies of thoſe who in their Life-time upon Earth have done ill, ſhall appear ugly, black, horrid, ill-favour'd, and filthy to behold, in as fearful Shapes as Devils.

The Guilty ſhall tremble at the ſight of the Judge,

Judge, the Godly ſhall rejoice. Will you ſee how the Judge himſelf will appear; how Apparell'd, and what Countenance he will carry; See then what *David* ſaith, thus doth he deſcribe him: *I ſtood* (ſays he) *attentively, and I ſaw certain Seats ſet in their places, and the Antient of Years ſat down, whoſe Garments are white as Snow, and the Hair of his Head as pure Wool. The Throne whereon he ſat, was like Flames of Fire, and the Wheels thereof like burning Fire; and a River of raging Fire iſſued and came forth from before him; Thouſands Thouſands were Attendant to ſerve him, and Ten Hundred Thouſand Thouſands ſtood waiting before him: And I beheld all this in a Viſion of the Night, and I ſaw one coming in the Clouds, who ſeemed to be the Son of Man.*

This Son of Man muſt be our Judge; before him muſt be this Arraignment; before his Throne, ſo built by *David*, muſt all be ſet, then the Books muſt be open'd.

At one opening of theſe Books, thoſe Emperors, Kings, Princes, and Rulers of Nations, that have been Tyrants, and not governed uprightly, nor cated for the Lives of their Subjects, but made Wars more for Ambition, or Revenge, than in any Quarrel for Heaven. All theſe will with that their Kingdoms might fall upon them, and hide them from the Face of him who affrights them.

All Church-men that have, inſtead of being faithful

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faithful Shepherds over their Flocks, been Wolves to devour them, ſhall hear a *Va*, a Woe pronounced againſt them: Judges that have fained themſelves with Bribes: Countries that have flown upon the Wings of Pride, Vain-glory, Faſhion and Ambition; Lawyers that have eaten up their Clients; Generals of Armies, Captains, and common Soldiers, that have been drunk with Blood: Citizens, whoſe falſe Oaths, and deceitful Wares have, to buy Lands, made away their Souls: Farmers, Graſiers, and Country-men, who have murmured at plentiful Years, and in dear ones grinded the Face of the Poor. And laſtly, common Beggars, who have made Idleneſs their Living, whoſe Mouths have been filled with Curſings, with Prophaneſs, with damnable Oaths, and with Blaſphemy: Theſe, and the reſt, and Thouſands more as bad as theſe, are ſure to be in a wretched Eſtate, when the Judge and their own Conſcience ſhall call them to a Tryal.

No Juſtices ſhall ſit on this Bench for Bribes to ſpeak in any Priſoner's Behalf; no Counſellor ſhall be allotted to plead for any Man; no Lords Letters can be here received.

They that on Earth have ſumptuous Palaces and Wardrobes full of embroidered Garments, who are every Day hurried thro' the Streets in thundering Coaches, drawn with four Horſes, ſhows of Footmen running by: Troops of Gallants flattering before them, Trains of Attendants

tendants galloping after them. Theſe ſhall at this Seſſions ſtand ſhivering, naked, dejected, and ſtripped of all their Glories. Thoſe Titles of High and Mighty, Right Honourable, Moſt Heroical, Thrice Illuſtrious, Thrice Reverend, Truly Noble, Truly Valarous, Right Worſhipful, with all other Titles, ſhall here be laid by, and not regarded. A Cobler and a *Cæſar* ſhall at this Time but ſtand upon equal Terms for Life and Death, about one and the ſame Offence, and that is Sin. One Judge muſt ſit upon both, one Jury go upon both, and one and the ſame Sentence be laid upon them at their Condemnation.

What will all the Idolatrous Kings and People, ſo often mention'd in the Old Teſtament ſay, when they ſhall ſee that true and ever living God whom they mocked at, and Blaſphemed?

How will the Jews curſe their Infidelity, hardneſs of Heart, and obſtinate Blindneſs, when they ſhall behold the true Meſſiah, whom they reviled, ſpit at, buffeted, ſcourged, and crucify'd?

How will the *Romans* cry out upon *Jupiter*, and Four Hundred ſeveral Gods, when they ſee themſelves Arraigned before an Omnipotent Deity, and not one of their falſe Ones able to help them?

How will *Herod*, *Caiphas*, *Annas* and *Pilate* look, when they ſee him ſit in Judgment upon them, who was by them baſely betrayed, ſold,

ſold, baffled, tormented, and condemned?

Traytor *Judas*, what Hell wilt thou deſperately again caſt thy ſelf into, to ſee thy Lord and Maſter ſit in Glory, whom thou with a Kiſs betray'd to a bloody Croſs, to an ignominious, barbarous, and moſt cruel Execution?

How will the Turks, and all their Grand Seigniors curſe their Creation, and rail on *Mahomet* their deluding Prophet, when before their Eyes ſits the Father of all the Holy Prophets, whom they on Earth laughed at; and hated all Chriſtians, becauſe they had their Names from Chriſt?

Nay, how will thoſe Chriſtians hang their Heads, and cry out againſt the Wombs that bare them, and the Paps that gave them ſuck, ſince they have gone aſtray out of God's Fold, lived licentiouſly, ſpent their Days in Drunkenneſs, in Whoring, and in all ſorts of varied Sins, and have danced Hand in Hand with Satan, what will they ſay? Is this he whoſe Body was nailed; Hands and Feet bored, Sides pierced; whoſe Mouth had Vinegar and Gall offered to it, with a Thouſand Tortures, Diſgraces and Diſhonours, only for us, to ſave us, to pay our Debts, and yet how did we every hour again and again Crucify him? Is this he, in whoſe Name, (for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake) when but one Farthing has been begged we have denied to give it, though our Pockets jingled both with Gold and Silver? Is this he, who when we have ſate at our Tables, ſurfeit-

ſurfeiting in Wines and gluttonous Cheer, have denied our Scraps and our broken Beer to thoſe who on their Knees have ask'd for the tender Mercies of our Lord Jeſus? O wretched, miſerable, forlorn, and forgetful Captives that we are.

What will remain after this and the like Expoſtulations, but beating of Breaſts, tearing of Hair, curſing their Creation, then Howlings, Ululations, Shrieks, Terrors, fear of Torments before their Faces, and an Aſſurance of everlaſting Tortures which are to follow; but only this, the Sentence, Doom, or Judgment from the Judge's Mouth, and that is in two words only *(Ite Venite)* Go and Come: *Go you Curſed*, to thoſe who have done ill, *Come you bleſſed*, to thoſe who have done well. *Go you Curſed into everlaſting Fire, prepared for the Devil and his Angels: Come ye Bleſſed, and dwell with me in Heaven for ever.*

Take heed therefore, O thou Chriſtian, and beware that this great Day of the Lord comes not upon thee unawares; and therefore watch and pray at all times, that thou mayeſt be ready when he calls for Judgment, to be one of thoſe to whom he ſhall ſay, *Come ye Bleſſed.*

Courteous Reader,

If theſe weighty Conſiderations are not worth one Penny, keep it clean, and return it in two Hours.

FINIS.